



MINUTES
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE (HRC)
City of Huntington Beach

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

6:45 pm Regular Meeting

City of Huntington Beach

2000 Main St., Huntington Beach, CA 92648

A. WELCOMING REMARKS BY CHAIRPERSON RHONE

B. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rhone called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Rhone, Parrott, Kaston, Smith, Stuart, Velazquez, Chow, Keeley

Absent: Patel (excused)

Council Liaisons: Pat Burns (present) and Gracey Van Der Mark (present)

Staff Liaison: Yoon-Taylor

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per speaker)

A supplemental communication was received for the Speaker's presentation after the agenda was published.

E. Approval of February 2023 Minutes of the Human Relations Committee

MOTION: Moved by Chow, seconded by Parrott, to approve the minutes dated, as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote, 7-0-1-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Chow, Velazquez, Kaston

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Keeley

ABSENT: Patel

Approval of the February 16, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes for the Citywide Board, Commission, and Committee Onboarding Training

MOTION: Moved by Keeley, seconded by Chow, to approve the minutes from the citywide Board, Commission, and Committee Onboarding training, as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote, 6-0-2-1:

AYES: Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Chow, Velazquez, Keeley

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Kaston, Rhone

ABSENT: Patel



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F. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Hate Crimes/Incidents – Sgt. Munoz introduced the new HBPD liaison, Sgt. Anthony Pham, effective immediately.
 - a. Pham and Munoz reported there was one hate incident and one hate crime.
 - b. The first incident took place on February 25. Offensive flyers were passed out downtown.
 - c. The hate crime occurred on February 28 at 11:35pm when a taxicab driver was waiting outside of his taxi and a vehicle drove passed him and threw a cup at him and yelled “raghead.” No suspect/s have been identified.
 - d. HRC Donation Balance – Yoon-Taylor reported a total of \$3,321.80.
 - e. HB Reads – On March 9, HB Reads hosted an event and fundraiser, at the Huntington Beach Central Library.
 - f. HB Coordinating Council – No report.
 - g. Greater HB Interfaith Council (GHBIC) – The Interfaith Council met on February 28 and Chair Rhone was the guest speaker. On April 22, 2023, the Interfaith Council is having its “Community Service Day.”

G. SPECIAL REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Joan D. Powell, who is the President of the Orange County Section of National Council of Negro Women, Inc., gave a presentation titled, “The Pearls of a Woman” in honor of Women’s History Month.

H. NEW BUSINESS

- Discuss and Approve Records Assistant, Chair Appointed Member

MOTION: Moved by Keeley, seconded by Velazquez, to approve Records Assistant, appointed by the Chair.

The motion carried by the following vote, 8-0-0-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Keeley, Stuart, Chow, Velazquez, Kaston

- Discuss and Approve Navigation Center Tour and Programming Interest.



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MOTION: Moved by Keeley, seconded by Chow, to approve the ad hoc committee have conversations with the Homeless and Behavioral Health Services through City Staff Liaison, Yoon-Taylor and find out where the committee can fill the gap and avoid duplication of services.

The motion carried by the following vote, 8-0-0-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Keeley, Stuart, Chow, Velazquez, Kaston

- Discuss and Approve HBPD Youth Engagement Programs

MOTION: Moved by Parrott, seconded by Velazquez, to form an exploratory ad hoc to further conversations about this matter.

The motion carried by the following vote, 5-0-3-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Velazquez

NOES: Chow, Kaston, Keeley

- Discuss HBHS Bridges Updates – The principal has asked HBHRC to assist with getting the school back into the OCHR bridges program. Chair Rhone is coordinating with OCHR.
- Discuss and Approve Youth Ambassador Volunteers AD Hoc formation – Chow volunteered to be the liaison for the Youth Ambassador Volunteer program. No ad hoc was created.
- Review and Discuss Ad Hoc Committee List – Parrott will step down as the HB Listens committee lead and will be replaced by Chow as the new lead. Parrott will also be stepping down from the Ralph Bauer Youth Voices Essay and Art Contest.
- Discuss Volunteer and Ally Acknowledgements for Open House – Staff Liaison, Yoon-Taylor will send an email so members can submit names of volunteers or friends of the HBHRC who the committee wants to acknowledge at the open house next month.
- Discuss Quarterly Reports for Q2-2023 – Ad hoc leads shared quarterly reports.



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- Review, Discuss and Approve – 2nd Quarter 2023 Calendar for Online Posting was reviewed.

MOTION: Moved by Keeley, seconded by Chow, to approve 2nd Quarter 2023 Calendar for online posting with noted corrections and revisions

The motion carried by the following vote, 8-0-0-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Keeley, Stuart, Chow, Velazquez, Kaston

- Review, Discuss and Approve – 2023 Internal Working Calendar of Events

MOTION: Moved by Kaston, seconded by Keeley, to approve the 2023 Internal working Calendar with the noted correction in September.

The motion carried by the following vote, 8-0-0-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Keeley, Stuart, Chow, Velazquez, Kaston

I. REVIEW OF AD HOC COMMITTEES, PROGRAMS AND PROJECT UPDATES

The following reports and updates were provided:

1. Cultural Cinema Showcase – Rhone reported:
 - The VIP screening is set for April 20 from 6pm-8pm, at the Central Library, rooms C/D.
 - Currently, 506 films have been submitted for the main event in September.
 - Film withdrawals have slowed down. 275 films have been rejected.
2. Day of Dialogue – Smith reported:
 - The DOD will take place on April 4th, 2023. All schools were emailed about the Day of Dialogue, and we are waiting to hear back from them.
3. The Ralph Bauer Youth Voices Essay & Art Contest – Keeley reported:



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- The ad hoc is currently creating the donation letter and compiling an address list. The kickoff will be in September.
- 4. Community Engagement – Velazquez and Rhone reported:
 - The HBHRC Open House will take place on April 11 from 5:45-6:45 as a special meeting.

J. STAFF COMMENTS/DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION

Staff Liaison Yoon-Taylor stated that the mayor would be hosting a town hall meeting on March 16 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

K. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Keeley exercised her right as a private citizen to go to the Interfaith Council and was asked to do invocation. She shared what she thought her father would share and it was covered by the LA Times.

L. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Keeley, seconded by Chow, to adjourn at 8:44p.m.

The motion carried by the following vote, 8-0-0-1:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Chow, Kaston Velazquez, Keeley

The next meeting of the HRC is a special meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 5:45 at the Civic Center, Lower-Level Room B7, Huntington Beach, California and subsequently, a regular meeting at 6:45pm at the same location.

Submitted by Secretary Smith, HB Human Relations Committee.

Reviewed by Chair Rhone, HB Human Relations Committee

Approved by the Human Relations Committee on April 11, 2023.